

2. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 1, wherein the pillow is inserted into the second pocket, and the first pocket turns inside out as the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein is inserted into and covered by the first pocket to enclose the pillow.

3. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 1, wherein the pillow is inserted into the first pocket, and the first pocket with the pillow disposed therein is inserted into and covered by the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

4. (Currently Amended) A case for enclosing a pillow comprising a first pocket and a second pocket, each of said pockets having an opening defined by a rim at a proximal end and a closed section extending to an opposite end, the proximal end of the first pocket is independent of attachment to the second pocket, and the opposite end of the first pocket being connected to a portion of the rim of the second pocket,

whereby, a pillow can be inserted into one of the first pocket and the second pocket, and said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein can be inserted into and covered by the other of the first pocket and the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

5. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 4, wherein the first pocket is a first pillowcase and the second pocket is a second pillowcase.

6. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 5, wherein the first pillowcase has a size that is not substantially different from that of the second pillowcase.

7. (Original) A case for enclosing a pillow comprising a sheet of material having a peripheral edge, said sheet measuring approximately three pillow lengths in length and two pillow

widths wide for a first pillow length at a first end and one pillow width wide for each of a middle pillow length and a second end pillow length of said sheet,

the first end of the sheet being folded lengthwise forming a first double layer having a first bottom layer and a first top layer with a portion of the peripheral edge of the first top layer being attached to the first bottom layer forming a first pocket with an opening proximate the first end, and

the second end pillow length being folded widthwise and laid over the middle pillow length forming a second double layer comprising a second bottom layer and a second top layer and a portion of the peripheral edge of the second top layer attached to the second bottom layer forming a second pocket with an opening proximate the first pocket,

whereby, a pillow can be inserted into one of the first pocket and the second pocket, and said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein can be inserted into and covered by the other of the first pocket and the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

8. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 7, wherein the portion of the peripheral edge of the first top layer being attached to the first bottom layer is attached by stitching , and the portion of the peripheral edge of the second top layer being attached to the second bottom layer is attached by stitching .
9. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 1, wherein the sheet is made of a barrier fabric impervious to dust mites.
10. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 1, wherein the pillow is enclosed independent of a fastener.

11. (Currently Amended) A [The] case for enclosing a pillow [of claim 8,] comprising a first pocket and a second pocket, each of said pockets having an opening defined by a rim at a proximal end and a closed section extending to an opposite end, the proximal end of the first pocket is independent of attachment to the second pocket, and the opposite end of the first pocket extends from a portion of the rim of the second pocket.

wherein the pillow is enclosed independent of [the fastener includes] a zipper,

whereby, a pillow can be inserted into one of the first pocket and the second pocket, and said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein can be inserted into and covered by the other of the first pocket and the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

12. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 1, wherein either one of the first pocket and the second pocket can be disposed externally over the other of the first pocket and the second pocket so that exposed outer surfaces of the case can be interchanged.

13. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 12, wherein visual characteristics on the exposed outer surface of the first pocket are distinctly different from visual characteristics on the exposed outer surface of the second pocket, so that interchanging the exposed surfaces of the case presents two distinctly different case appearances.

14. (Original) The case for enclosing a pillow of claim 12, wherein visual characteristics on the exposed outer surface of the first pocket are substantially similar from visual characteristics on the exposed outer surface of the second pocket, so that the exposed surface of one of the first pocket and the second pocket when soiled can be interchanged with a clean exposed

outer surface of the other of the first pocket and the second pocket allowing further use of the case while preserving the visual characteristics of the case.

15. (Currently Amended) A method of encasing a pillow comprising the following steps:

5 inserting a pillow into an opening of one of a first pocket and a second pocket of a case with each of said pockets having an opening defined by a rim at a proximal end and a closed section extending to an opposite end, where the proximal end of the first pocket is independent of attachment to the second pocket and the opposite end of the first pocket extends from a portion of the rim of the second pocket; and

10 covering said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein with the other of the first pocket and the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

16. (Original) The method of encasing a pillow of claim 15, wherein inserting a pillow into an opening of one of a first pocket and a second pocket of a case includes inserting the pillow into the second pocket, and wherein covering said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein with the other of the first pocket and the second pocket includes turning the first pocket inside out as the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein is inserted into and covered by the first pocket to enclose the pillow.

17. (Original) The method of encasing a pillow of claim 15, wherein inserting a pillow into an opening of one of a first pocket and a second pocket of a case includes inserting the pillow into the first pocket, and wherein covering said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein with the other of the first pocket and the second pocket includes inserting the first pocket with the pillow disposed therein into the second pocket to enclose the pillow.

18. (Original) A method of making a case for encasing a pillow comprising the following steps:

5       folding lengthwise a first end of a sheet of material having a peripheral edge, said sheet measuring approximately three pillow lengths in length and two pillow widths wide for a first pillow length at a first end and one pillow width wide for each of a middle pillow length and a second end pillow length of said sheet to form a first double layer with a first bottom layer and a first top layer;

      attaching a portion of the peripheral edge of the first top layer to the first bottom layer to form a first pocket with an opening proximate the first end;

10       folding widthwise the second end pillow length laying it over the middle pillow length to form a second double layer comprising a second bottom layer and a second top layer; and

      attaching a portion of the peripheral edge of the second bottom layer to the second top layer to form a second pocket with an opening proximate the first pocket,

15       whereby, the case for encasing a pillow allows a pillow to be inserted into one of the first pocket and the second pocket, and said one of the first pocket and the second pocket with the pillow disposed therein can be inserted into and covered by the other of the first pocket and the second pocket to enclose the pillow.